

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of	:	Attorney Docket No. 2005_1918A
Katsuyoshi OKABE et al.	:	<b>Confirmation No. 9843</b>
Serial No. 10/560,051	:	Group Art Unit 3643
Filed December 8, 2005	:	Examiner Son T. Nguyen
APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING SEEDLINGS AND METHOD OF PRODUCING SEEDLINGS	:	<b>Mail Stop: AF</b>

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated November 3, 2009, the period for response having been extended by two months to April 3, 2010, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and further examination of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.